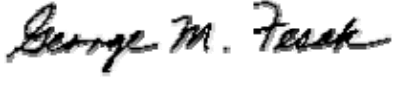


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SUBJECT: Change to Public E-mail Addresses

Who needs this information?

MSHA employees, as well as members of the mining community, the media, and the general public who communicate with the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) via e-mail.

Why is MSHA issuing this bulletin?

The purpose of this bulletin is to notify those persons and organizations who communicate with MSHA via e-mail that the format of all MSHA e-mail addresses has changed.

What is the background for this bulletin?

About 18 months ago, the Department of Labor consolidated all the e-mail systems for the agencies within the Department, including MSHA's e-mail system. One of the effects of this consolidation was that all of MSHA's internet e-mail addresses changed to a new format.

What is the main point of this bulletin?

The new format for MSHA e-mail addresses is doe.john@dol.gov, where previously the format was doe-john@msha.gov, or in some cases JDoe@msha.gov.

Since the e-mail consolidation, MSHA has maintained the old e-mail addresses, as well as the new addresses. However, as of March 15, 2005, the old addresses will be disabled. Thus, members of the mining community and others who need to communicate with the Agency via e-mail should ensure that they have updated their address lists to conform to the new format.

If you need assistance sending e-mail to any contact within MSHA after March 15, please contact the MSHA Help Desk at 1-877-778-6055.

Who is the contact person for this bulletin?

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Is this information bulletin available on the Internet?

Yes, at www.MSHA.gov click on the link "Compliance Info", and then "Program Information Bulletins."

Who will receive this bulletin?

All MSHA employees

Solicitors for MSHA

Regional Office of Solicitors

Mine operators

Members of the mining community

Special Interest groups